

REMARKS

The Office Action of July 1, 2005 has been carefully considered. Reconsideration and allowance in view of the present remarks is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-4 were rejected as being anticipated by Lawlor. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Claim 1 recites a method of concealing errors in a digital information signal. The digital information signal is a single bitstream that is filtered to construct the low frequency contents of the bitstream. The low frequency contents are replaced during an error by a low frequency approximation of the single bitstream. The low frequency signal obtained after the replacement is converted into a regenerated single bitstream (with concealed errors) by means of a sigma-delta modulator.

Lawlor, however, makes no suggestion of regenerating the single bitstream using a sigma-delta modulator.

Withdrawal of the rejections and allowance of claims 1-4 is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. Ure", is written over a horizontal line.

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Dated: October 3, 2005